

RADFORD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS GOVERNANCE, ADMINISTRATION & ATHLETICS COMMITTEE MEETING 3:00 P.M.**

NOVEMBER 10, 2016 BOARD ROOM MARTIN HALL-THIRD FLOOR RADFORD, VA

DRAFT

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER
 Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham,
 Acting Chair
 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham,
 Acting Chair
 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham,

September 15, 2016 Acting Chair

• INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT Mr. Danny M. Kemp, Vice President

For Information Technology and

Chief Information Officer

• INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS REPORT Mr. Robert Lineburg, Director,

Intercollegiate Athletics

Athletics Branding Video

• ACTION ITEM

Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham,

Acting Chair

 Recommendation to approve Amendments to the Bylaws of Radford University Board of Visitors

• **OTHER BUSINESS** Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham,

Acting Chair

• ADJOURNMENT Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham,

Acting Chair

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Governance, Administration and Athletics Committee Alethea "A.J." Robinson, Chair

Mr. Steve A. Robinson, Vice Chair

Ms. Callie M. Dalton

Dr. Rachel D. Fowlkes

Ms. Georgia Ann Snyder-Falkinham

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RADFORD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS GOVERNANCE, ADMINISTRATION & ATHLETICS COMMITTEE MEETING 1:30 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM-MARTIN HALL RADFORD, VIRGINIA

DRAFT

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Alethea "A.J." Robinson, Chair

Ms. Callie M. Dalton Dr. Rachel Fowlkes

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Steve Robinson, Vice Chair

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Christopher Wade, Rector (left the meeting at 2:08)

Dr. Javaid Siddigi, Vice Rector (entered the meeting at 2:08)

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Danny M. Kemp, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer

Mr. Robert Lineburg, Director of Athletics

Ms. Michele N. Schumacher, Secretary to the Board of Visitors

Ms. Melissa Wohlstein, Vice President for University Advancement

Mr. Allen Wilson, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia

Radford University students, faculty and staff

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Alethea "A.J." Robinson, Chair, formally called the meeting to order at 1:26 p.m. in the President's Conference Room-Martin Hall on the campus of Radford University, and noted that pursuant to the draft agenda as published "All start times for committees are approximate only. Committee meetings may begin either before or after the listed approximate start time as committee members are ready to proceed."

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Robinson asked for a motion to approve the September 15, 2016, meeting agenda, as published. Ms. Callie M. Dalton so moved, and Dr. Rachel Fowlkes seconded the motion and the Agenda was unanimously approved.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Robinson asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2016 meeting of the Governance, Administration and Athletics Committee, as published. Ms. Dalton so moved, and Dr. Fowlkes seconded the motion, and the minutes of the May 5, 2016 meeting were unanimously. A copy of the approved minutes can be found at http://www.radford.edu/content/bov/home/meetings/minutes.html.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Mr. Danny Kemp, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, provided a report that highlighted the activities of the Information Technology Division since May 2016. He reported that the identity and access management project, which began in 2013 was completed on June 30, 2016, on budget and on time. Mr. Kemp also provided information on several applications that will assist with enrollment and student retention. One application is Starfish, a student advising system was launched in August which will, among other capabilities, share critical student information with the appropriate individuals who can direct students to the resources and assistance they need. In connection with enrollment management, he reported that the University has entered into an agreement with Royall & Company to help increase student enrollment. He also reviewed the numerous hardware and software installations, demolitions, and updates that have occurred at Radford University since May 2016.

Mr. Kemp also reviewed information security at the University and noted that the biggest information security problem facing the University computers is ransomware. He stated that plans are underway for an awareness campaign for October's Cybersecurity Awareness month. He also reported that an RFP for a virtual computer lab has been issued, and that vendor responses are due back in mid-October.

A copy of Mr. Kemp's report is attached hereto as **Attachment** A and is made a part hereof.

Ms. Robinson thanked Mr. Kemp for his report.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS REPORT

Mr. Robert Lineburg, Director of Athletics, provided an intercollegiate athletic report that updated the Committee on the six-year plan for Radford Athletics that was presented at the September 2015 Committee meeting. Mr. Lineburg specifically reviewed: (i) activities that have enhanced the student-athlete experience during 2015-2016 which included various leadership and life skills training; (ii) academic excellence noting that over 60% of Radford University's student-athletes finished 2015-2016 academic year with a 3.0 GPA or better; (iii) competitive excellence noting that Men's Soccer won the Big South Regular Season Championship and advanced to NCAA Tournament with an at-large bid; (v) the culture within Athletics Department at Radford is to operate in full compliance with University, state, conference and NCAA guidelines, and in that regard, he reviewed the various training that coaches and student-athletes receive during the year which includes topics on hazing, Title IX, and alcohol abuse;

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and (iv) branding and marketing noting that the new athletic brand will be unveiled this year. He also reviewed the steps being taken to increase the amount of sponsorship dollars that Athletics has, as well as, the fundraising goals for FY 2017.

A copy of Mr. Lineburg's report is attached hereto as *Attachment B* and is made a part hereof.

Ms. Robinson thanked Mr. Lineburg for his presentation.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

Ms. Michele N. Schumacher, Secretary to the Board of Visitors, discussed proposed changes to the Radford University Board of Visitors Bylaws. She noted that changes are necessitated by a recodification of the Virginia Code that pertains to higher education, as well as, discussions that were held at the Board Retreat. It is anticipated that the proposed changes will be brought before the committee and the Board in November for approval.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Committee, Ms. Alethea "A.J" Robinson, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele N. Schumacher Secretary to the Board of Visitors

ATTACHMENT A

Information Technology Report

Board of Visitors
Governance, Administration & Athletics Committee

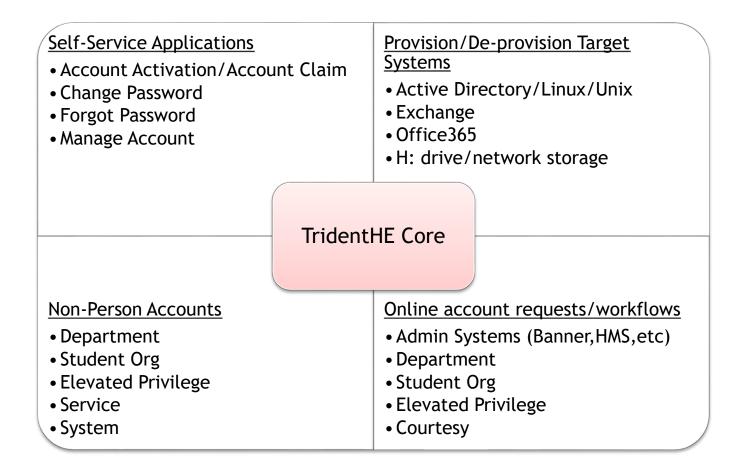


Agenda

Highlights since May 2016

Identity & Access Management Project

• The Identity and Access Management project closed on June 30, 2016. The following deliverables were included:



Starfish - Student Advising System

Starfish successfully launched in August



Configuration and data integration activities were completed.

Training sessions were provided to Professional Advisors and Faculty Advisors who will serve as Starfish liaisons for each academic unit.

Additional training sessions were offered to all other potential users of Starfish during the week of *Our Turn* in August.

AgileAdvisor was decommissioned and Phase 1 of the Starfish implementation was launched before the start of the Fall semester.

Starfish Benefits

Some of the many Starfish benefits include:

- Sharing critical student information among those with the capacity to direct students to assistance.
- Notifying students at risk in their courses early enough for them to take appropriate action.
- Giving students the ability to efficiently schedule appointments with advisors and others.
- Giving advisors the tools needed to effectively communicate with students.
- Delivering a tool that can be used by the LARC, Career Center and Colleges with unique advising needs.
- Delivering "kudos" to students whose good performance should be recognized.

Student Enrollment

- RU has engaged Royall & Company to help increase student enrollment.
- Work is currently underway to build integrations between Royall, the University's administrative information system (Banner) and constituent relationship management system (Hobsons Radius).
- Launch of the application marketing campaign, along with a new admissions application, will take place in September.

Installation of Technology for the College of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences

Installation of classroom AV, computer labs and communications infrastructure was installed to be ready for the beginning of Fall semester. Additional refinements to these technologies will continue throughout the year.

Completed	Underway
 13 classrooms, 7 computer labs and 55 meeting / collaboration rooms 	 Installation of a state-of-the-art TV studio is underway with anticipated completion in October
 2 video walls at the entrances of the building 	 Installation of a E911 training simulator planned for September.
 Installation of a video wall in the Emergency Operations Center 	
 Training and support for the new technology was provided to faculty before classes began. 	
 A technician dedicated to technology support in this facility has been hired. 	

Technology Assistance Center Move

The Technology Assistance Center moved from Heth Hall to Walker Hall to:

- enhance walk-in support areas
- upgrade space for the support staff
- provide closer proximity to other IT staff to increase efficiencies, collaboration and problem resolution efforts

Technology Support Services

- 4,600 support requests were processed between May 1 and August 15.
- 53 technology training workshops were offered during the summer to provide faculty and staff with opportunities to enhance their technology skills.
- 174 faculty and staff received replacement computers between May 1 and August 15.

- 14 faculty/staff technology workshops were conducted during August Our Turn, with 7 workshops covering the use of the Desire 2 Learn learning management system and 7 workshops on office and productivity tools.
- Classrooms and Computer Labs were upgraded to Windows 10.

Learning Spaces

- Removed and reinstalled equipment in McGuffey 203 and 206 for a facilities rebuild. Added new programming for classroom Crestron controllers.
- Installed new laser projectors at the Roanoke Higher Ed Center and for the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program.
- Dismantled all AV systems in Whitt Hall for major renovation.
- Installed new electronic "Smartboards" in Covington Hall.
- Performed a health check of campus classrooms to identify and resolve technical issues prior to Fall opening.
- Installed AV systems in room 286 in the Center for the Sciences.
- Upgraded Young 302 and 406 with the latest projectors and control systems.
- Removed four existing AV systems in the basement of Russell Hall and reinstalled three of the latest AV designs in newly renovated spaces (Russell 007,025,033).



IT Infrastructure

- Completed the installation of network, wireless and door access hardware for the renovation of Draper Hall.
- Upgraded RU Express servers and software.
- Provisioned servers and disk storage and provided support for the upgrade to the campus portal.
- Replaced border firewalls to enhance security.
- Replaced network core routers.
- Upgraded campus network attached storage servers with additional storage and updated software.
- Supported moves from Whitt Hall, 307 Adams and Fairfax Street Apartments.
- Supported migration of the Library website to the university content management system.
- Completed a test of generator and UPS power for the campus data centers.

Cable TV

- Installed new digital TV channel to feed digital signage specifically for the College of Humanities & Behavioral Sciences (CHBS).
- Installed a new fiber modulator to feed additional cable
 TV signals to new campus locations including CHBS.
- A new fiber connection to the Armstrong CATV head-end was also added.

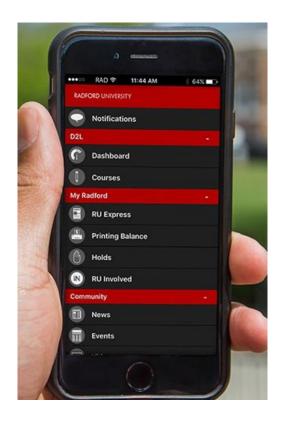
RU Mobile - A new platform from Dublabs

The *RUMobile* app for iPhone and Android devices hosts many useful features for students such as class schedule, semester grades, upcoming campus events, dining menus, bus routes, directory, news articles and more.

This summer, a new version was released giving students additional tools including a new dashboard and integration with D2L to view courses, assignments, grade information, rosters and announcements.

The new version was rolled out before Quest with links to the student and parent program guides.

The RUMobile platform was moved off of the Ellucian Mobile environment and on to the Dublabs Mobile environment at a lower cost to the university.



Banner 8 Upgrades Deployed to Meet Banner XE Requirements

- Eighteen Banner modules were upgraded to the latest releases to support current Financial Aid regulatory updates.
- The integration to the Commonwealth's eVA procurement system was upgraded to the latest version.
- These upgrades established the infrastructure and application environment to implement the first phase of the Banner XE implementation.

Banner XE Development Environment Established

- The next major release for Banner, Banner XE, has been installed in a development environment for assessment and testing.
- Functional and technical teams have received XE training from Ellucian.
- Planning and discussions are underway for a phased rollout of Banner XE to production.

MyRU Enhancements

MyRU is the internal portal for single sign-on to many academic and administrative functions of the University.

A new version was rolled out to campus in August with upgraded security features and improved overall performance.

The new version also brings with it a more responsive, mobile friendly design for use on phones and tablets.



Campus Wi-Fi Enhanced with eduroam

- eduroam is a new Wi-Fi network available on campus allowing people from other universities participating in the eduroam consortium to easily access the Radford Wi-Fi network.
- This membership also allows Radford faculty, staff and students to connect to Wi-Fi networks at other schools that participate in eduroam (e.g., GMU, JMU, ODU, VT, UVa, VCU and other institutions around the world).

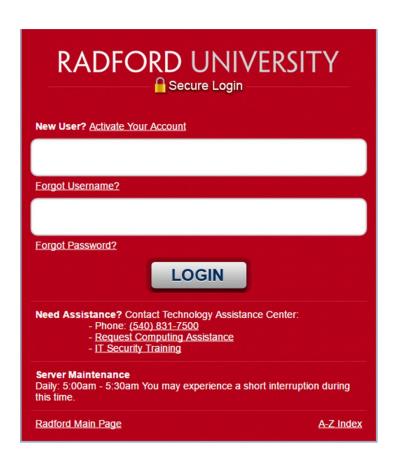
IBM Cognos Analytics/ODS 8.5

- The next major release for Cognos has been installed in a development environment for assessment and testing.
- ODS 8.5 has been installed in the development environment for testing and configuration for Degree Works reporting.
- Testing and planning for production implementation will begin in September.

IBM Watson Analytics

- Partnered with IBM Watson Analytics to provide students and faculty with free access to a cloud-based analytics service that enables a business user to be a "citizen data scientist".
- Working with a faculty member in the College of Science and Technology to develop a proof-of-concept predictive analytics model for student retention using IBM Watson Analytics.
- Developed scrubbed datasets for data exploration.

CAS/Shibboleth Single Sign-on Project



To provide a more secure mechanism for integration with hosted systems, work continues to complete the migration of several existing systems to Shibboleth or Central Authentication Service (CAS).

Integration with RU Express, University Tickets, Starfish, Hobsons Radius, eVA and Kaltura have been completed.

Integration is underway for T2 parking, ServiceNow, Barnes and Noble Ignite and Office 365.

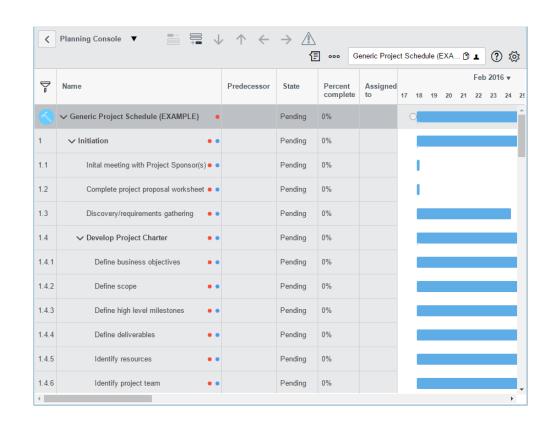
OrgSync

- OrgSync, or RU Involved, creates an online community for organizations to streamline and manage groups and activities and drive engagement.
- A new tenant has been established for Residential Life to use with on campus housing groups.
- This will ensure communications and group activities can be organized more effectively.

Information Security

- The ISO enhanced the vulnerability management program with the purchase and deployment of additional scanning capability.
- Dashboards for daily reporting of anomalous events have been improved.
- Policies and procedures are being revised and modernized.
- The Incident Response Plan is being rewritten.
- At the present time, the biggest information security problem facing Radford University's computers and users is ransomware.
- Plans are underway for an awareness campaign for October's Cybersecurity Awareness month.

ServiceNow Upgrade



The ServiceNow platform was upgraded in July to the Helsinki release.

The release provides expanded and improved functionality for IT Service Management and Project Management.

Project Management training opportunities were offered in August for the many new features and redesigned project module interface.

Hosted Application / Virtual Computer Lab

- In collaboration with Procurement, currently working on the release of an RFP for a "Hosted Application / Virtual Computer Lab Environment".
- This RFP will be issued the first week in September with responses due back in mid-October.

Printing Services Equipment Upgrades



A Morgana Digifold Pro was installed to enable creasing and folding of coated and heavyweight stock in one step.

An Epson Stylus Pro 4900 17-inch inkjet printer was added for small to medium sized photos and mid-size posters.

Questions?

Board of Visitor's Presentation

I. Student-Athlete Experience
II. Academic Excellence
III. Competitive Excellence
IV. Culture
VIII. Branding
IX. Resource Development

Student-Athlete Experience

Leadership

- Rachel Ross of Women's Basketball and Zach Turk of Men's Soccer participated in the annual Big South Leadership Conference
- o Zach Turk of Men's Soccer participated in summer internship with the Governor's office

Growth

- Over 20 incoming freshmen participated in the Athletics Summer Bridge Program
 - Men's Basketball-3.66
 - Women's Basketball-3.47
 - Baseball -3.66
 - Volleyball-4.0

Life Skills

- o Key note speakers-Hazing, Title IX, Mentors and Violence, Social Media, Financial Planning
- Career event focusing on internships

Academic Excellence 2015-2016

- Over 60% of our Student-Athletes finished with a 3.0 GPA or better
- 13 of 16 Highlander Teams with a 3.0 GPA or better in Spring 2016
- 16 Big South All-Academic Selections
- Women's Lacrosse recognized as an Academic Honor Squad by the IWLCA
- Women's Volleyball earned American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Academic Award
- Men's Golf recognized as a 2016 All-Academic Team by the Golf Coaches Association of America
- Fraser Colmer of Men's Soccer selected as CoSIDA All-American
- Jo Vetle Rimstad of Men's Soccer selected NSCAA Scholar-Athlete
- Women's Basketball Student-Athlete Aisha Foy nominated for NCAA Woman of the Year

Competitive Excellence 2015-2016

- Men's Soccer won Big South Regular Season Championship
- Men's Soccer advanced to Big South Championship match
- Men's Soccer with At-Large bid to NCAA Tournament
- Women's Basketball finished 3rd in Big South standings
- Women's Basketball advanced to Big South Tournament Semi-Finals
- Baseball advanced to Big South Semi-Finals
- Softball advanced to Big South Semi-Finals

Competitive Excellence 2016-2017

Fall Sports

- Men's Soccer-first place
- Volleyball-third place
- Men's Basketball marquee games include: Wake Forest, North Carolina, West Virginia, VMI, UNC
 Wilmington, Elon

Culture

- Title IX compliance assessment
 - Training for Coaches and Student-Athletes on NCAA current affairs
- Support and Sustain Gender Equity/Title IX

Student-Athlete Programming:

- Hazing
- o Title IX
- Mentors & Violence
- Alcohol EDU

Branding

- Athletics Logos
 - Partnered with Joe Bosack, Inc.
 - Internal and External University stakeholders involved in this process
 - Potential to significantly increase royalties
- Fan Experience
 - Learfield fan survey for MBB experience
 - Critical to upgrade Band & Spirit Squads
 - o Concessions upgrade-partner with Chartwell's

Branding

Completed first year with Learfield-Results in FY16

0	Contracted Cash	\$123,195
0	Contracted Trade	\$119,450
0	Combined Cash & Trade	\$242,645

Projections for FY17

0	Contracted Cash	\$180,000
0	Contracted Trade	\$120,000
0	Combined Cash & Trade	\$300,000

Resource Development

Total Gifts & New Pledges/Total RAC Members

0	2014-2015	\$520,395	280 members
0	2015-2016	\$863,242	451 members

- Total Gifts & New Pledges/Total RAC Members
 - o Goals 2016-2017

\$950,000 550 members

RAC Areas of Focus

- Annual Fund-Unrestricted Giving
- Annual Fund-Sport Specific Giving- Example- Soccer Circle of Champions
- Endowment & Planned Giving Scholarships Major Gifts
- Capital Projects-Facility Enhancement
 Naming Opportunities
 Major Gifts

RAC Events

- o Meet the Coaches event at the Farmhouse in Christiansburg-October 4th
- Highlander Athletics Hall of Fame-October 14th
- Pre-game socials prior to men's and women's basketball contests
- o Partnering with Alumni Affairs for events surrounding away athletics contests
- Event prior to Men's Basketball game at UNC-John Montgomery's home in Chapel Hill-December 3rd
- Red & White Auction-Spring/Summer 2017
- Spring Highlander Golf Outing

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Information Technology Report

Board of Visitors
Governance, Administration & Athletics Committee



Agenda



- Introduction
- Evolution of Starfish
- Testimonial Video
- Demonstration
 - Student
 - Instructor
 - Advisor
- Next Steps Phase II

Next Steps - Phase II

- 1. Identify project sponsors and advisory team
- 2. Define the scope and priorities
- 3. Form a project team
- 4. Confirm resources and timeline

Ideas and Suggestions for Project Scope-Phase II

- Student Success Plans
- Explore adding Graduate Students so they can schedule appointments with Advisors
- Explore expanding integration with Desire2Learn
- Review Behavioral Alert processes
- Expand Social Alert functionality to other offices if needed
- Utilize functionality for Financial Aid, Students with Disabilities, Athletics
- Expand integration with TutorTrac
- Improve reporting capability
- Explore attendance capabilities in Starfish

Questions?

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Board of Visitors Presentation

II. Culture
III. Academic Excellence
IV. Competitive Excellence
V-VI. Resource Development
VII. Branding
VIII. Special Events

I. Student-Athlete Experience

Enrich the student-athlete experience by developing a comprehensive life skills and career planning program that educates and prepares student-athletes for success

Leadership

- Jessica Shelton and Monica Mallory of Women's Track participated in the Fall Big South SAAC Leadership Conference.
- Jessica Shelton of Women's Track and Bailey White of Women's Lacrosse nominated to participate in the NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership forum in Baltimore, MD.
- 30 Student-Athletes were selected to participate in the RU Lead Scholar program.

Service

Participated in Fear to Freedom Initiative and the Radford Gives Back Program
 Growth

Big South Student-Athlete Leadership/Career Development Program-Game Plan

II. Culture

Operate in full compliance with University, State, Conference, and NCAA Regulations

Title IX Reporting

- EADA submitted October 27, 2016
- NCAA Financial Report due January 2017

National Letter of Intent November 9, 2016

NCAA Division 1 Council Meeting-Focused on Enhancing the Student-Athlete Experience

III. Academic Excellence

Attract, recruit, and retain Student-Athletes who are prepared to succeed academically and graduate

Men's Soccer CoSIDA Academic All-American Nominations

Aitor Pouseu Blanco
 Fraser Colmer

Sivert Daehlie Jo Vetle Rimstad

Women's Soccer CoSIDA Academic All-American Nominations

- Hannah Duff
- Jessica Wollmann

Volleyball CoSIDA Academic All-American and Big South All-Academic Nominations

Kelby Jackson

Men's and Women's Cross Country Big South All-Academic Nominations

- Ashenafi Kidanu
- Courtney Rice

IV. Competitive Excellence

Compete for conference championships and participate and advance in postseason play

- Men's Soccer
- Women's Soccer
- Volleyball
- Men's & Women's Cross Country

V. Resource Development 2016-17 Revenue Update

Increase external revenue streams in support of the Athletics Department

Learfield Sports Properties

\$220,050 (\$138,300 cash, \$81,750 trade)

Overall Percentage to Goal: 73% (\$300,000)

Cash Revenue Target: 77% (\$180,000)

Trade Revenue Target: 68% (\$120,000)

Currently have surpassed the overall cash revenue amount from the 2015-16 academic year by \$15,000

Currently have secured nine new business partners for the 2016-17 academic year

VI. Resource Development (October 15, 2016)

Total gifts to Radford Athletics Club \$120,746

Total membership for 2016-17
 149 members

100% participation in all-staff giving campaign-over \$15,000 raised in support of student-athletes/27 staff members increased their gift from previous year (110% program)

\$65,000 in commitments to Student-Athlete experience campaign to enhance Strength & Conditioning, Athletic Training, Nutritional Programming

Implementation of Student-Athlete Giving Challenge (iGive 100%-Highlander Challenge)

VII. Branding

Enhance overall recognition, visibility, and public perception of Radford Athletics

- Introduced a new brand and identity system that sets the visual direction for years to come.
- The extensive collaborative process to evolve the Radford Athletics brand and identity took over 12 months to complete.
- Process included several discovery and research sessions with key stakeholders including athletic and academic leadership, current and former student-athletes, coaches, alumni and community members.









VIII. Special Events

- o Pre-game socials prior to men's and women's basketball contests
- Partnering with Alumni Affairs for events surrounding away athletics contests
- Event prior to Men's Basketball game at UNC-John Montgomery's home in Chapel Hill-December 3, 2016
- Red & White Auction-Spring/Summer 2017

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PROPOSED CHANGES TO BYLAWS:

- 1. General Assembly recodified all statutes pertaining to higher education required updating various Code of Virginia references.
- 2. Added a section on Board Member Resignation.
- 3. Added provisions that allow Members to Participate via Electronic Communication (telephone/video) in cases of emergency, personal matter or medical issue.
- 4. Changed responsibilities of the non-voting advisory members to show they are expected to participate in all regular meetings of the Board. Also clarified that their terms begin July 1 through June 30 of each year.
- 5. Changed the name of Advancement/Alumni Relations and Communications/Marketing Committee to "University Advancement, University Relations, and Enrollment Management Committee".
- 6. Made some suggested changes to the description of the Committees:
 - a. Business Affairs & Audit moved the conferring of meritorious awards and honorary degrees to the Academic Affairs Committee.
 - b. Student Affairs added the words student retention.
 - c. Academic Affairs added a sentence on academic quality; and inserted responsibility for conferring of meritorious awards and honorary degrees.
 - d. Governance reformatted.
 - e. Advancement and Alumni Relations added a sentence concerning enrollment management.

RADFORD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS BYLAWS

PREAMBLE

The Board of Visitors of Radford University ("the Board") adopts these Bylaws to provide for the orderly, consistent and efficient conduct of its business as the governing body of Radford University ("the University").

As public trustees the Board has the responsibility and authority, subject to constitutional and statutory limitations, for the continuing operation, development of evolving policies, and financial oversight of the University. Much of this authority necessarily is delegated to the President, who serves as the agent of the Board and as Chief Executive Officer of the University.

It is acknowledged and understood that the University and the Board are at all times subject to the control and legislative enactments of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Article I - The Board of Visitors

Section 1 – Legal Status, Composition, and General Operation

A. Legal Status and Composition. The Board of Visitors of Radford University is created by Va. Code §23–155.1.–2100. Membership of the Board, method and terms of appointment, and the method of filling vacancies are provided by statute (Va. Code §23–155.1-et seq.). _1300).

- **B.** General Operations. The Board is required by law to, and does:
 - 1. Strive to be transparent in its operations, and operate entirely openly to the extent required by law.
 - 2. Comply with the Commonwealth of Virginia's Freedom of Information Act (Code of Va. §2.2-3700, et seq.), including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Record minutes of each open meeting and post the minutes on the Board's website in accordance with subsection 1 of §2.2-3707 and §2.2-3707.1;
 - b. Conduct all discussions and actions on any topic not specifically exempted by §2.2-3711 in open meeting;
 - c. Give public notice of all meetings in accordance with subsection C of §2.2-3707; and
 - d. Approve in open meeting any action taken in closed meeting before it can have any force and effect in accordance with subsection B of §2.2-3711.
 - 3. Notify and invite the Attorney General's appointee or representative (the legal counsel of the institution) to all meetings of the Board, Executive Committee, and other Board committees.
- **C. Annual Executive Summary.** The Board is required by statute to submit to the General Assembly and the Governor an annual executive summary of its interim activity and work no later than the first day of each regular session of the General Assembly. This report shall be submitted in accordance with procedures stipulated by law.

D. Removal of Board Members. If any member of the Board fails to attend (i) the meetings of the Board for one year without sufficient cause, as determined by a majority vote of the Board, or (ii) the educational programs for governing boards presented by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, and required by Virginia Code §23–9.14:.17-1304 in the member's first two years of membership without sufficient cause, as determined by a majority vote of the board, the remaining members of the Board shall record such failure in the minutes at the Board's next meeting and notify the Governor, and the office of such member shall be vacated. However, no member serving as of January 1, 2015 shall be removed for failing to attend the educational programs required by Virginia Code § 23-9.14:1 in the members first two years of membership if the member attends such training by January 1, 2016.

In accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-108,§23.1-1300(C), the Governor has the authority to remove from office for malfeasance, misfeasance, incompetence, or gross neglect of duty any member of the Board and fill the vacancy resulting from the removal. Each appointment to fill a vacancy will be subject to confirmation by the General Assembly. The Governor will set forth, in a written public statement, the Governor's reasons for removing any member pursuant to this statute at the time the removal occurs. The Governor will be the sole judge of the sufficiency of the cause for removal as set forth in this statute.

E. Resignation. Any Board member may resign at any time by providing notice of the date of resignation to the Governor. Notice also shall be provided to the Rector so that the Board can take measures to accommodate said resignation. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified in such notice and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary for it to take effect.

Section 2 – Powers and Responsibilities

Responsibilities of the Board include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Control and expend funds of the University;
- 2. Establish fees, tuition, and other charges imposed on students;
- 3. Approve the University's budgets;
- 4. Appoint the President of the University;
- 5. Approve the strategic plans of the University;
- 6. Confer degrees;
- 7. Promote the purpose and mission of the University;
- 8. Adopt rules and regulations for governing employment and employees, and approve promotions, tenure, salaries of employees;
- 9. Name buildings and other major facilities;
- 10. Approve certain real property transactions; and
- 11. Adopt rules and regulations governing student conduct.

Section 3 – Meetings

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Subject to state law and these Bylaws, the Board may adopt rules and regulations and may establish specific policies or procedures for the operation of the University and, to the extent not inconsistent with these Bylaws, for the Board's own governance. All such policies and procedures in existence on the date of the adoption of these Bylaws, and all policies and procedures subsequently adopted by the Board must be published and are binding on all affected university constituents. The President shall be responsible for the publication and implementation of all policies and procedures of the Board.

Article II — Employees

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The President serves at the pleasure of the Board of Visitors or pursuant to contract with the Board. The President is the Chief Executive Officer of the University and oversees the overall operation of the University. The President is expected to provide leadership to the University community in the development of its mission and programs. The President directs the University's administration, faculty and staff, and oversees the financial affairs of the University and the use and maintenance of its physical facilities. The President supports the fund-raising and advancement efforts of public and private entities on behalf of the University and serves as the University's representative and official spokesperson. The President must act in accord with the policies and direction of the Board. The President must perform the duties and exercise the authority of the office in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

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The Provost, Vice Presidents, Vice Provosts, and all direct reports to the President are selected by the President, subject to approval by the Board, and serve at the pleasure of the President, or upon such other terms as agreed by the employee, the President, and the Board.

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The University Auditor is responsible for the University's internal audit function, which provides independent appraisals and reviews of University operations. The University Auditor is administratively responsible to the President, but is functionally accountable to the Board of Visitors. The University Auditor is appointed by, and reports to, the Board or a Board committee, as directed by the Board. In addition to the general responsibilities of the position, the University Auditor performs such duties incidental to the office as assigned by the Board or the President.

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These Bylaws may be suspended or amended in whole or in part at any meeting of the Board of Visitors.

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Unless otherwise specified by these Bylaws, all Board and committee meetings, actions, and rulings will be guided by the most current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (most recent edition)*.

RESOLUTION

ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE RADFORD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS BYLAWS

November 11, 2016

WHEREAS, the Radford University Board of Visitors previously determined that the Bylaws of the Radford University Board of Visitors should be updated and revised and further that this review of the Bylaws, including any proposed revisions, should be conducted by the Governance and Administration Committee; and

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WHEREAS, at the Radford University Governance and Administration Committee meeting on November 10, 2016, the Committee voted to recommend the revised Bylaws to the Board of Visitors for review and approval at the Board of Visitors meeting on November 11, 2016; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Radford University Board of Visitors hereby adopts the proposed revised Bylaws, dated November 11, 2016, which are attached hereto, as the official Bylaws for the Radford University Board of Visitors.

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PREAMBLE

The Board of Visitors of Radford University ("the Board") adopts these Bylaws to provide for the orderly, consistent and efficient conduct of its business as the governing body of Radford University ("the University").

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Article I – The Board of Visitors

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- 4. **Governance, Administration, and Athletics**. This committee is generally responsible for considering and recommending action to the Board on policy matters pertaining to the administrative operations of the University, including personnel matters, and shall advise and consult with the President of the University on matters of human resources policy in regard to classified employees, university staff and other non-instructional faculty members employed by the University.

The committee shall also conduct an annual evaluation of the President as required by these Bylaws in a closed meeting and present its findings and recommendations to the Board.

This committee is responsible for reviewing recommendations and offering motions to the Board on matters and policies pertinent to the Division of Information Technology including implementation of new technologies and systems affecting the University's computer systems, websites and telephone systems.

This committee is also responsible for reviewing recommendations and offering motions to the Board on matters pertaining to all aspects of University intercollegiate athletics including, but not limited to, recruitment of personnel, development of new athletic programs, and maintenance and/or construction of athletic facilities.

- 5. University Advancement, University Relations, and Enrollment Management. This committee is generally responsible for oversight of programs that promote private donations for, and alumni support of, the University, including related activities undertaken by the University directly and by affiliated foundations on the University's behalf. It also oversees the University's public and community relations programs, which are designed to enhance the University's stature and reputation, and its efforts to publicly disseminate news about the University. This committee is also responsible for reviewing recommendations and offering motions to the Board on matters and policies pertinent to the university's enrollment management strategy.
- **C. Special Committees.** Special or *ad hoc* committees are established by the Board or the Rector for an expressed purpose and limited duration. Special committees may have no fewer than four members

appointed by the Rector, who may change the membership at any time. The Rector designates the Chair of special committees.

Section 7 – Policies and Procedures.

Subject to state law and these Bylaws, the Board may adopt rules and regulations and may establish specific policies or procedures for the operation of the University and, to the extent not inconsistent with these Bylaws, for the Board's own governance. All such policies and procedures in existence on the date of the adoption of these Bylaws, and all policies and procedures subsequently adopted by the Board must be published and are binding on all affected university constituents. The President shall be responsible for the publication and implementation of all policies and procedures of the Board.

Article II – Employees

Section 1 – The President

The President serves at the pleasure of the Board of Visitors or pursuant to contract with the Board. The President is the Chief Executive Officer of the University and oversees the overall operation of the University. The President is expected to provide leadership to the University community in the development of its mission and programs. The President directs the University's administration, faculty and staff, and oversees the financial affairs of the University and the use and maintenance of its physical facilities. The President supports the fund-raising and advancement efforts of public and private entities on behalf of the University and serves as the University's representative and official spokesperson. The President must act in accord with the policies and direction of the Board. The President must perform the duties and exercise the authority of the office in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

The President may delegate specific duties, in whole or in part, to other employees of the University. However, the President remains responsible for the performance of the delegate as to all matters within the President's authority.

The Board shall meet with the President, at least annually, in a closed meeting, and deliver an evaluation of the President's performance. A preliminary evaluation report is to be submitted by the Governance, Administration and Athletics Committee to the Board, which report serves as the initial basis for the Board's review and evaluation. Objectives for the coming year will also be presented to the Board by the President at the time of the evaluation.

Any changes to the President's contract shall be made only by vote of a majority of all members of the Board.

Section 2 – Provost, Vice Presidents, Vice Provosts, and Direct Reports to the President

The Provost, Vice Presidents, Vice Provosts, and all direct reports to the President are selected by the President, subject to approval by the Board, and serve at the pleasure of the President, or upon such other terms as agreed by the employee, the President, and the Board.

Section 3 – University Auditor

The University Auditor is responsible for the University's internal audit function, which provides independent appraisals and reviews of University operations. The University Auditor is administratively

responsible to the President, but is functionally accountable to the Board of Visitors. The University Auditor is appointed by, and reports to, the Board or a Board committee, as directed by the Board. In addition to the general responsibilities of the position, the University Auditor performs such duties incidental to the office as assigned by the Board or the President.

Article III - Miscellaneous

Section 1 – Suspension or Amendment of Bylaws

These Bylaws may be suspended or amended in whole or in part at any meeting of the Board of Visitors.

Section 2 – Parliamentary Authority

Unless otherwise specified by these Bylaws, all Board and committee meetings, actions, and rulings will be guided by the most current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (most recent edition)*.